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1. USG RESPONDED TO OAS DECISION TO SEND MILITARY

OBSERVERS TO DISPUTED BORDER AREA BY SUPPLYING THREE

OFFICERS TO OBSERVER TEAM COMMANDED BY ARGENTINE MAJOR

GENERAL LUIS MARIA MIRO.

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2. US HAS ALSO PROVIDED ONE FIXED-WING AIRCRAFT AND FOUR HUEY HELICOPTERS TO OAS, WHICH WILL COVER ALL EXPENSES. WHILE WE ARE NOT COMMITTED TO ANY OTHER ACTION OUR POSITION IS THAT,WE WILL RESPOND POSITIVELY TO REASONABLE REQUESTS FOR SUPPORT FROM THE OAS.

3. OAS COORDINATOR HAS ADVISED US THAT GEN. MIRO HAS ESTABLISHED A COMMAND STRUCTURE CONSISTING OF CDR. RICARDO PENA (ARGENTINA) IN HONDURAN SECTOR; COL. JOSE ANTONIO BARBOSA DE MORAES (BRAZIL) IN THE SALVADORAN SECTOR. IN AN EFFORT TO AVOID CRITICISM FROM EITHER SIDE, GEN. MIRO ESTABLISHED A FIXED HEADQUARTERS FOR HIMSELF AND CONTINUES TRAVELING BETWEEN TEGUCIGALPA AND EL SALVADOR. MIRO MET

WITH PRESIDENTS OF BOTH EL SALVADOR AND HONDURAS WHILE IN THEIR CAPITALS.

4. USOAS LEARNED THAT GEN. MIRO, 15 MILITARY OBSERVERS, HONDURAN AND SALVADORAN CHIEFS OF STAFF AND NICARAGUAN OFFICIALS MET SUNDAY, AUGUST 8 IN MANAGUA TO DISCUSS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR REDUCING TENSION ALONG DISPUTED FRONTIER. MEETING WAS RECESSED AT REQUEST OF HONDURAS.

5. TWENTY-SIX MILITARY OBSERVERS (14 IN EL SALVADOR; 12 IN HONDURAS) ARE PRESENT IN RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES, AND SOME OF OBSERVERS PROBABLY HAVE REACHED FRONTIER ZONE.

6. WE ARE UNABLE TO PREDICT OUTCOME OF MANAGUA MEETINGS NOR LENGTH OF TIME NECESSARY FOR MILITARY OBSERVERS TO REMAIN IN BORDER AREA. HOWEVER, OUR ESTIMATE IS THAT OAS MILITARY OBSERVER MISSION WILL LAST FOR ONE MONTH. ROBINSON

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